

PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 115.0001-00000
Customer No. 22882

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of:) Confirmation No.: 9694
John I. Shipp et al.)
Serial No.: 10/047,122) Group Art Unit: 3732
Filed: January 15, 2002) Examiner: Cary O'Connor
For: INSTRUMENTS AND METHODS)
FOR USE IN LAPAROSCOPIC)
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 30, 2003 of the Examiner.

1. A Petition for extension of time to further extend the period for response to June 30, 2004 is enclosed; the fee of \$475.00 (small entity) is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1068.
3. The Appeal Fee of \$165.00 (small entity) is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1068.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 50-1068.

Respectfully submitted,

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